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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Brieden et al.  
Application No. : 09/214,679  
Filed : January 7, 1999  
For : METHOD OF PREPARING (S) - OR (R) - 3,3,3 - TRIFLUORO-  
2-HYDROXY-2- METHYLPROPIONIC ACID

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of 4 months from August 28, 1999 up to and including December 28, 1999.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

is filed herewith.

has been filed.

(complete the following, if applicable)

The response is the filing of a continuation application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.

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1360.00 OP

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on December 28, 1999.

Attorney Name Carmella L. Stephens

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Signature Carmella L. Stephens

Date of Signature December 28, 1999

3. Applicant is

a small entity. A verified statement:

is attached.

was already filed.

other than a small entity.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(1)-(5)):

<u>Extension (months)</u>	<u>Fee for other than small entity</u>	<u>Fee for small entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 380.00	\$ 190.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 870.00	\$ 435.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,360.00	\$ 680.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,850.00	\$ 925.00

Fee \$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request      \$1,360.00

5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on December 28, 1999.

6. Fee Payment

[X] Attached is one check in the sum of \$ 1360.00 for 4 months extension of time.

[X] Charge Account 02-4377 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

[X] Charge fee to Account No. 02-4377. This is a request to charge for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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